HOW TO BECOME A GOOD POLICE-MAN AND HOW HE MAY RIST IN BANK O be "one of the finest" is no mean ambition. That it is one cherished by great numbers of young New Yorkers is well enough shown by the fact that no less than eighteen hundred men between the ages of twenty-one and thirty were on the eligible list from which Commissioner Greene has just appointed 200 new policemen. 220 new policemen.

To get on this list means first that a man must be physically fit. He must be at least five feet seven and a half inches tall, weigh at least 135 pounds and be in good condition. So little a height seems surprising to one who judges from the magnificent giants on the "Broadway squad," none of whom is less than about six feet in height, but for such positions the men are selected partly on account of their stature, and the fact remains that the average policeman in New York is rather under than over five feet nine and a half inches tall.

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Stature is not all that is considered, however, and the fact that the Commissioner had so large a list from which to make his appointments does not mean that there were only 1,800 applicants for the 320 appointments. There were several thousand such, and of these 1,800 succeeded in passing the civil service examination with sufficient credit to be declared eligible, receiving marks of from 70 to 91.8 out of a possible hundred, after a test of their mental, moral and physical fitness for appointment.

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Lieutenant Colonel Kipp, of the Seventh regiment, who has been chief clerk of the average man can by any possibility the average man can by any possibility remember, was found porting over the average relating to the selection of this great number of new recruits, and was asked what the quality of the men from the executive point than I was asked what the quality of the men from the executive point than I was asked what the quality of the men from the executive point than I was asked what the quality of the men from the executive point than I was asked what the quality of the men from the executive point than I was a good men of the civil service is that is all important.

The Inspector talked willingly, but his views driver can't pass the examination, while the same sort of work, of course, and they are the men who rise. The force is not what it was in years the graduate can. There is no doubt that don't mean that exactly. Probably a lack of the civil service is hit is so in the civil service is that they of the exemination, while the same sort of work, of course, and they are the men who rise. The force who would other vise is like any other to course, and they are the men who rise. The police was a five civil service is like and the civil service is that they will succeed. The one who rise are not ready for the emergencies when will succeed. The one who is carry to course, and they are the men who rise. The police was past, he said, recalling his own thirty both the civil service. What I mean by over what I mean by over the climber of the carry to don't men studies the one who rise are not to don't men studies the one who have a course, and they are the men who rise. The police was a fixed ambition, if a not not study it, and so they are not to don't men who rise are the men who rise.

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Thirty Men Move a Great Theatre Twenty-Two Feet.

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"Then, of course, with promotion comes the possibility that is always in the mind of every ambitious man, of coming to be in time the chief of the force. Only one man gets there at one time, but each man knows he has that one chance."

"But how does the actual policeman differ from the ideal policeman?" he was asked. "In other words, what keeps the great majority back while the few advance?"

Getting Better Men.

mong them, as fine men as you'd find any-

where.

"And why shouldn't we get good men on the force?" he continued with considerable enthusiasm. "Look at the inducements there are to join. In the first place the pay is sure. It begins at \$800 a year, and it goes up steadily in five years to \$1,400. Then the man is a patrolman and a regular officer of the force. If he behaves himself so much is certain. The law provides that promotion for every man.

"Then there is a species of life insurance combined with it. When a man reaches the age of fifty-five, if he has served twenty-five years, he may retire on half pay. That is one-half the salary he is getting in whatever rank he has reached. That money cannot be touched by judgment or taken away from him is any way. It is

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"So much for the man who never gets any higher than the patrolman's rank. It is certainly no mean prospect. But there is always an excellent chance for promotion. Any gallant deed he may perform is likely to bring him (1) commendation. (2) honorable mention or (3) honorable mention with the medal of the department. And out of the men who receive these each year one gets the Rhinelander medal, one gets the Isaac Bell medal and one gets the Peter F. Meyer medal the following year, and all these things count, according to law, for so many points in the rating he gets in his examination for promotion. And any one of them may come to him at any moment of his life.

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HIRTY sturdy men have lately accomplished in Pittsburg the Bobdingnagian feat of moving a weight of four million nine hundred and ninety-two thousand pounds a distance of twenty-two feet. More than that, they have up what might be converted to

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

THE BUILDING AFTER IT HAD BEEN 12 FFET. BEFORE MOVING, THE TRIEGRAPH 12 FFET. BEFORE MOVING, THE TRIEGRAPH 12 FOLE STOOD JUST OUTSIDE THE SIF/F DOOR.

A law offices and counting rooms empty their army of tollers, the thorwighfare is almost impossable with the curious. The native tendency to investigate is strong and men and women are seen climbing over girders and steel beams, the better to observe the work, the methods employed in lifting the building from its old foundations, moving it backward and planting it on its new resting place. Many are amazed at the thickness and strength of the massive walls which form the main structure and, remembering that the building was crected three decades ago, when "veneering" and the many other modern wethous of money saving were unknown, shake their heads and with an expression about the artificiality of the present and the stability of the past pass on.

Used Nine Hundred Jacks.

The process of moving this great struct-

any possibility of jarring or of getting the structure out of plumb. Slowly the steel beams were removed and the opening in the walls, where they had been inserted to distribute the weight, was rapidly

bricked up.

It is surprising the amount of material used in a job of this kind. In addition to the 900 Jack screw and the 600 two and a quarter inch steel rollers, one hundred tons of steel beams, 15x42, were used. Cost a Quarter Million

It is estimated that the cost of the moving of this building and the improvements which Manager Harry Davis contemplates will involve an expenditure of close to a quarter of a million of dollars. Much of this expense, however, will be borne by the city in the nature of benefits for the damage to the property by reason of taking twenty feet off the frontage.

The building, however, stands to-day stronger and firmer than ever before, for in its great trunk great steel ribs have been inserted, the foundation is entirely new and the whole edifice has had the advantage of a complete overhauling and an expert inspection.

Mr. Davis is re-embellishing the interior Mr. Davis is re-embellishing the interior without stint, and he has taken this occasion also to improve the Avenue Theatre, which he owns and manages jointly with the Grand. The Avenue's capacity has been increased about six hundred. The decorations are to be highly artistic, so that Pittsburg, to all intents and purposes, will have two new playhouses when the Grand and Avenue throw open their doors to receive the public on Sentember doors to receive the public on September

Men Who Lived Long.

T is generally supposed that the men and women of this age live longer than those of ancient times, but certain classical scholars of Europe are of a different opinion and they point to a census which was taken during the reign of the Emperor Vespasian as proof that they have good ground for disagreeing with scientists on this point

When this census was taken several per-